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SUBJECT: EC TARIFF WITHDRAWALS

REF: GENEVA 11148

1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF SUBSTANTIVE  
PORTIONS OF TEXT OF LETTER FROM PAUL LUYTEN, HEAD OF EC  
COMMISSION DELEGATION, TO GATT DG LONG TRANSMITTING REVISED  
EC TARIFF OFFER.

2. "I REFER TO MY LETTER, CLASSIFIED SECRET NO. 335 OF  
APRIL 27, 1978, ACCOMPANIED BY A LIST OF POSSIBLE WITH-  
DRAWALS RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY'S INITIAL TARIFF OFFER  
IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR. TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE  
BALANCING OF THE RECIPROCAL OFFERS AT THE PRESENT STAGE OF  
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THE NEGOTIATIONS, I HEREWITH INFORM YOU THAT THIS LIST  
BECOMES AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE EEC'S TARIFF OFFER, AND  
ENTAILS CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONS. SOME DELEGA-  
TIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN INFORMED DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS  
WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE OVER THE LAST WEEKS. THE MODIFICA-  
TIONS AND ADDITIONS ARE REPEATED IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT,  
WHICH CONSTITUTES THE COMMUNITY'S REVISED OFFER.

THIS REVISED OFFER IS WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO TARIFF ADJUSTMENTS WHICH MAY OCCUR AT A LATER STAGE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH RESPECT TO ASSURING SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO THE LDC'S, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TOKYO DECLARATION AND COMMITMENTS MADE BY THE EEC TO SOME OF THESE COUNTRIES. THERE ARE ONGOING CONSULTATIONS IN THIS RESPECT BASED ON REQUESTS RECEIVED BY THE EEC.

THE EEC IS HOPEFUL THAT ITS PARTNERS WILL BE ABLE TO IMPROVE THEIR PRESENT OFFERS, ESPECIALLY ON PRODUCTS FOR WHICH THEY HAVE RECEIVED REQUESTS, AND IN THE LIGHT OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS, THE COMMUNITY DOES NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF CONSIDERING IMPROVEMENTS IN ITS REVISED OFFER.

I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO RECALL THAT THE COMMUNITY TAKES THE VIEW THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FINALLY AGREED UPON TARIFFS SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN TWO TRANCHES, THE FIRST IN FIVE ANNUAL STAGES, FOLLOWED BY A SECOND, CONDITIONAL, TRANCHE OF 3 ANNUAL STAGES. PASSING FROM THE FIRST TO THE SECOND TRANCHE WILL DEPEND UPON AN EXAMINATION OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN GENERAL, WHICH WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE VARIOUS PERTINENT FACTORS, NAMELY ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND MONETARY, AS WELL AS THE APPLICATION OF OTHER MEASURES, COMMONLY AGREED UPON.

I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE THE CONFIDENTIAL DISTRIBUTION OF THIS LETTER AND THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT TO THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN THE MTN."

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3. COPY OF REVISED OFFER BEING HANDCARRIED TODAY BY DAVE SHARK TO KELLY. MCDONALD

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